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TO AMEMBASSY MONROVIA

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG BGEN LI

SUBJECT: SUNOCO REAPPRAISING REFINERY OPERATION

1. SUNOCO'S WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVE KENNETH SMITH REQUESTED MID-OCTOBER MEETING WITH AF TO REVIEW COMPANY'S POSITION ON LIBERIA REFINING COMPANY PRIOR TO NOVEMBER PRICING MEETING WITH GOL. SMITH INDICATED THAT RISING PRICES OF CRUDE AND OTHER CONSIDERATIONS MAKE OPERATION OF REFINERY OF MARGINAL INTEREST TO SUNOCO UNLESS GOL AGREES TO HIGHER REFINERY PRICES. IF GOL NOT MORE FORTHCOMING IN NOVEMBER NEGOTIATIONS, SUNOCO MAY GIVE UP MANAGEMENT OF REFINERY.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE IN TIME FOR MID-OCTOBER TALKS EMBASSY'S COMMENTS REGARDING WAYS EMBASSY COULD BE HELPFUL IN SUNOCO'S NOVEMBER NEGOTIATIONS AND, IF NEGOTIATIONS UNSUCCESSFUL AND SUNOCO PULLS OUT OF REFINERY OPERATION, CONSEQUENCES FOR LIBERIA-U.S. RELATIONS. RUSH

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